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Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Critical Intelligence Problems Committee

VIA: Eloise R. Page
ChairmanFROM: [redacted]
Executive Secretary

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SUBJECT: Status Report on CIPC Projects and Activities--March 1985 [redacted]

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1. CIPC Meeting: The monthly CIPC Meeting was convened on 25 March at 1500 hours. The primary agenda items were the Follow-Up Soviet Strategic Cruise Missile Report which documented the current status and results of implementing the study's recommended actions, and the Combat Intelligence Analysis Report. [redacted]

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2. In essence, the Cruise Missile Follow-Up Report reflected that 89 percent of the 43 recommendations contained in the original study have either been effected or are in the process of being implemented. Moreover, the Intelligence Community's capability to address the Soviet strategic cruise missile problem has improved significantly during the past year. However, the report notes that a number of intelligence shortfalls persist, especially in [redacted] that

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[redacted] will require the Intelligence Community's continuing attention. [redacted]

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3. The Committee approved the follow-up report with recommended changes. These changes have been incorporated and the report was subsequently forwarded to the DCI for his information and approval. [redacted]

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NOTE: The DCI approved the follow-up report on 15 April 1985. The report is presently being printed in final form and will be disseminated to the NFIC, and others as appropriate, within the next week or so.

4. The Committee also approved the Combat Intelligence Analysis Report. This report was developed at the request of the Director, National Security Agency and is intended to be responsive to Intelligence Community concerns that the intelligence structure being developed to support the wartime intelligence needs of US commanders be fully coordinated. The report reviews the coordination process now in place, with particular emphasis on [redacted]

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[] and provides several recommendations for its improvement. Although the Committee approved this report without reservation, several members expressed their conviction that the Intelligence Community should continue to maintain a close scrutiny over the whole spectrum of combat intelligence support to the US military commands. This sentiment was endorsed by all members. The Defense Intelligence Agency, which has assumed the responsibility for implementing the recommendations contained in the report, was encouraged to pursue these tasks with vigor and to keep the Intelligence Community informed of its progress. []

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5. The Combat Intelligence Analysis Report, to include the concerns expressed by the Committee on this subject, has also been forwarded to the DCI for his information. []

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6. International Narcotics Study: The CIPC Narcotics Working Group will convene in April to initiate development of its follow-up report to the DCI documenting the current status and results of implementation of the Narcotics Study's recommended actions. This follow-up report is scheduled to be completed in time for the May CIPC Meeting. []

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7. International Terrorism Study: The CIPC Terrorism Study has been completed and is scheduled for Committee review at its 22 April Meeting. The report concludes that the magnitude of the terrorist threat continues to grow, and that international terrorism is one of the most dynamic intelligence challenges facing the Intelligence Community today. From all indications, the Intelligence Community will be faced with significant challenges in combating international terrorism in the future. In order to overcome these challenges, the full commitment of the Intelligence Community and additional resources will be required. The report also notes that attacks against US or friendly targets increased about 30 percent from 1983 to 1984, and the likelihood of future such attacks will continue to be high. []

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8. At present, the draft Terrorism Study contains 53 recommendations which provide significant potential for improving our intelligence posture and base of knowledge with respect to international terrorism. The recommendations are broken down into nine categories and range from improvements to our present collection capabilities to additional budgetary resources. Subsequent to CIPC approval, the study will be forwarded to the DCI and DDCI for their information and implementation, as appropriate. []

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9. Chemical/Biological Warfare (CBW) Study: During the month the CIPC CBW Intelligence Subcommittee held its last formal session. A report of the subcommittee's findings is now being prepared. After being coordinated with the subcommittee members, it will be provided to the CIPC for consideration. Included in the report will be a few recommendations that will complement the 1984 CIPC CBW Study recommendations approved by the DCI. []

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10. Mobile Missile Study: During the month the Mobile Missile Panel continued drafting its final report. The panel has now received all the necessary inputs required to complete its final draft study. It is anticipated that the Mobile Missile Study will be available for CIPC review by the end of April. [REDACTED]

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11. The next CIPC Meeting is scheduled for 22 April 1985. The primary agenda item will be the Terrorism Study. In addition, the Committee will receive an overview briefing on the Decision Support and Information System for Terrorism (DESIST). [REDACTED]

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